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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In re the Application of:

TANNER COMPANIES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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REQUEST FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Your Petitioner, ELAN, druzba za ustanavljanje, financiranje in upravljanje z drugimi druzbami d.d., a Slovenian joint stock company, located and doing business at Dunajska C. 160, 1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia, through its undersigned counsel, hereby respectfully requests a further two (2) month extension of time, to and including *July 19, 2003*, to file a Notice of Opposition against the above-identified application.

The parties are engaged in settlement discussions regarding this, and a companion application (Serial No. 76/060,555). The extension is needed to allow them time to continue their discussions, and evaluate proposed bases for a resolution. In view of the fact that there are

two co-pending applications about which the parties are involved in ongoing verbal and written communications, Petitioner submits that the present environment in which the parties are able to

communicate outside of a formal opposition proceeding is believed to provide a more conducive

atmosphere in which to continue their discussions.

John L. Sullivan, counsel for Applicant, has consented to the requested extension

of time by telephone on January 15, 2003.

This request is not made for the purpose of unduly delaying proceedings in the

Patent and Trademark Office.

This request is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

ELAN, druzba za ustanavljanje, financiranje in upravljanje z drugimi druzbami d.d.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing REQUEST FOR FURTHER

EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE NOTICE OF OPPOSITION was served on Applicant, this

19th day of May, 2003, by mailing same, via first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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